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FM AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

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INFO AMEMBASSY PARIS

USUN NEW YORK 2730

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E.O. 11652: N/A (DECON 11/30/74)

TAGS: EAIR, PDIP, UNGA, LE

SUBJECT: CIVAIR: LANDING RIGHTS FOR PRESIDENTIAL AIRCRAFT

1. LEBANON'S FLAG AIRLINE, MIDDLE EAST AIRLINES (MEA), HAS ASKED EMBASSY TO OBTAIN LANDING RIGHTS JFK NEW YORK FOR AN MEA 707 CHARTERED BY GOL OT TRANSPORT LEBANESE PRESIDENT FRANGIEH AND PARTY TO UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSION AROUND NOVEMBER 10-11, WITH RETURN LEBANON AROUND NOVEMBER 14-15. (WE, OF COURSE, ARE ENDEAVORING DEVELOP MORE INFO ON PRESIDENT'S PLANS.)

2. AFTER REVIEW FAA'S AIRMAN'S INFORMATION MANUAL, AIRPORT DIRECTORY, PART 2, EMBOFF RESPONDED THAT ONLY CLEARANCE INDICATED IS PRIOR NOTIFICATION OF LANDING TO US CUSTOMS. MEA, HOWEVER, UNDER IMPRESSION THAT SPECIFIC LANDING PERMISSION NECESSARY SINCE MEA LACKS OPERATING RIGHTS TO US AND THIS FLIGHT IS A CHARTER. TO AVOID PROBLEMS WITH PRESIDENTIAL FLIGHT, MEA WISHES EMBASSY OBTAIN SPECIFIC LANDING PERMISSION IN ADVANCE.

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3. EMBASSY AGREED REQUEST SAME AND, AFTER CONSULTING PANAM, ALSO SUGGESTED MEA HAVE ITS NEW YORK SALES OFFICE ENGAGE NEW YORK HANDLING AGENT FOR THIS FLIGHT. MEA PROBABLY WILL EMPLOY PANAM.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE PROVIDE EMBASSY WITH WHATEVER OFFICIAL LANDING PERMISSION REQUIRED FOR THIS FLIGHT, FOR TRANSMITTAL MEA NLT EARLY NEXT WEEK. ASIDE FROM ABOVE DATES, ONLY SPECIFICS NOW AVAILABLE ARE AIRCRAFT TYPE, AN MEA 707-320C, AND ROUTE, DIRECT FROM BEIRUT TO NEW YORK WITH TECHNICAL STOP BORDEAUX, CHOSEN TO MINIMIZE DIPLOMATIC FORMALITIES ENROUTE.  
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